



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

## Los Angeles Region



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To: Interested Persons

From: Melinda Becker   
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Subject: Notice of Public Workshops for proposed amendments to the *Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Region* to incorporate Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) to reduce metals in the Los Angeles River and Tributaries and in Ballona Creek and to Reduce Toxic Pollutants in Ballona Estuary.

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) will hold a workshop to consider three proposed amendments to the *Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Region* (Basin Plan) to incorporate Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) to reduce metals in the Los Angeles River and its tributaries and in Ballona Creek and to reduce toxic pollutants in Ballona Estuary.

***A Public Workshop will be held on April 7, 2005  
at 9:00 a.m. at the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California  
700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California***

The purpose of this workshop is to brief the Regional Board and stakeholders on the status of the proposed TMDLs and to solicit comments from interested parties prior to formal consideration of the TMDLs by the Regional Board. The proposed metals TMDLs for the Los Angeles River and Ballona Creek were originally noticed on July 12, 2004. Regional Board staff has revised the proposed resolution incorporating the TMDLs, Basin Plan amendments, staff reports, and CEQA checklists, based on written comments provided on the July 12, 2004 draft and oral comments provided at a previous workshop held on September 2, 2004. The proposed Ballona Estuary toxic pollutants TMDL has not previously been noticed for public comment.

In addition, Regional Board staff will hold a workshop on the proposed implementation of the proposed TMDLs. Stakeholders will have the opportunity to seek clarification about proposed implementation measures and to suggest implementation alternatives for both proposed TMDLs.

***A Public Workshop will be held on April 12, 2005  
at 1:00 p.m. at the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Carmel Room  
320 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, First Floor, Los Angeles, California***

Copies of the proposed documents will be available on the Regional Board website prior to the workshops. Notice of the availability of the revised documents and of the public hearing to formally consider the TMDLs will be sent to interested persons separately. Please contact Jenny Newman at (213) 576-6808 for information about the Los Angeles River metals TMDL or Rebecca Christmann at (213) 576-6757 for information about the Ballona Creek metals TMDL and Ballona Estuary toxic pollutants TMDL.

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